

Advisory

(WORKSHOP ON IMPACT OF REGULATION CHANGES)

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Workshop to Discuss AB 1276 (Increased Penalties) and AB 3533 (Statute of Limitations)

As many of your already aware, Assembly Bill (AB) 1276 was signed into law on September 30, 1986. This bill substantially increases the maximum penalties for non-vehicular air pollution violations. This law becomes effective January 1, 1987. This Division issued the attached advisory summarizing the impact of the bill.

AB 1276 has generated a great deal of discussion among enforcement and legal staff. My staff has received several requests to have the ARB conduct a workshop regarding this matter. Therefore, the Compliance Division will sponsor such a workshop. The purpose of the workshop would be to develop a uniform approach to implementing the bill or a generic penalty schedule which would take into account AB 1276.

In addition, AB 3533 will be discussed at this workshop. AB 3533 amends Section 803 of the Penal Code. This bill would alter the statute of limitations for air pollution violations. Under this bill, the statute of limitations would not commence until the violation has been discovered or would reasonably have been discovered.